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PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



PA 11-56—sSB 367

*Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs
Transportation Committee*

**AN ACT CONCERNING MOTOR VEHICLE NUMBER PLATES FOR
ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES**

SUMMARY: This act extends the motor vehicle commissioner's authority to issue special registration certificates and veterans' license plates to active U.S. armed forces members or their surviving spouses who request a certificate and plate for a motor vehicle they owned or leased for at least one year. She must do this upon request from any member of the U.S. Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Air Force and any of their reserve components, including the Connecticut National Guard under federal service.

The commissioner must already provide the certificates and plates to veterans or their surviving spouses under the same conditions.

The act requires an armed forces member who is dishonorably discharged to return the plates to the motor vehicles commissioner within 30 days after the discharge. It also prohibits the commissioner from renewing veterans' plates for any motor vehicle that such a member owns or leases.

By law, anyone who fails to surrender a falsely obtained motor vehicle registration or license plate when the motor vehicles commissioner demands it is subject to a fine of up to \$200.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

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